

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR ORIGINAL U.S. PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney's Docket No. KLA1P015A

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: IN-SITU METALIZATION MONITORING USING EDDY CURRENT MEASUREMENTS the specification of which,

(check one)

1. is attached hereto.
2. was filed on August 7, 2000 as
U.S. Application No. 09/633,198
and was amended on _____
3. was filed on _____ as
International PCT Application No. _____
and was amended on _____

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, CFR § 1.56.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States code, § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

			Priority Benefits Claimed?
(Application No.)	(Country)	(Filing Date)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
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Provisional Application(s)

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

<u>60/172,080</u> (Application No.)	<u>December 23, 1999</u> (Filing Date)
_____	_____
(Application No.)	(Filing Date)

Prior U.S. Application(s)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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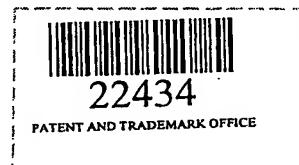
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Power of Attorney

And I hereby appoint the law firm of **Beyer Weaver & Thomas, LLP** and all practitioners who are associated with the Customer Number 022434 as my principal attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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ASSIGNOR: LEHMAN, KURT R. DOC DATE: 11/01/2000

ASSIGNOR: LEE, SHING M. DOC DATE: 11/01/2000

ASSIGNOR: FIELDEN, JOHN DOC DATE: 01/03/2001

ASSIGNEE:
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160 RIO ROBLES
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- a) Kurt R. Lehman
- b) Shing M. Lee
- c) Walter Halmer Johnson III
- d) John Fielden

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

- a) Name: KLA-Tencor Corporation
Address: 160 Rio Robles
San Jose, California 95134-1809

3. Nature of conveyance

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Execution Date: November 1, 2000 (Lehman and Lee); January 3, 2001 (Johnson and Fielden)

4. Application Number(s) or Patent Number(s): 09/633,198

The title of the (new) application is:

IN-SITU METALIZATION MONITORING USING EDDY CURRENT MEASUREMENTS

5. Please send all correspondence concerning this (these) documents to:

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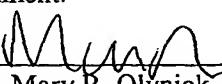
6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41): \$40.00

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8. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Date: January 5, 2001


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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION
(Not Accompanying Application)

Whereas I/we the undersigned inventor(s) have invented certain new and useful improvements as set forth in the patent application entitled:

IN-SITU METALIZATION MONITORING USING EDDY CURRENT MEASUREMENTS

for which I (we) have executed an application for a United States Letters Patent which was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 7, 2000, and which bears the Application No. 09/633,198.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I/We the undersigned inventor(s) hereby:

- 1) Sell(s), assign(s) and transfer(s) to KLA-Tencor Corporation, a Delaware corporation having a place of business at 160 Rio Robles, San Jose, California 95134-1809, (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), the entire right title and interest in any and all improvements and inventions disclosed in, application(s) based upon, and Patent(s) (including foreign patents) granted upon the information which is disclosed in the above referenced application.
- 2) Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all Letters Patents resulting from said application or any division(s), continuation(s), substitutes(s) or reissue(s) thereof to the ASSIGNEE.
- 3) Agree to execute all papers and documents and, entirely at the ASSIGNEE's expense, perform any acts which are reasonably necessary in connection with the prosecution of said application, as well as any derivative and applications thereof, foreign applications based thereon, and/or the enforcement of patents resulting from such applications.
- 4) Agree that the terms, covenants and conditions of this assignment shall inure to the benefit of the Assignee, its successors, assigns and other legal representative, and shall be binding upon the inventor(s), as well as the inventor's heirs, legal representatives and assigns.
- 5) Warrant and represent that I/we have not entered, and will not enter into any assignment, contract, or understanding that conflicts with this assignment.

Signed on the date(s) indicated beside my (our) signature(s).

1. Inventor Signature: Kurt R. Lehman Date: 11-1-00
Kurt R. Lehman

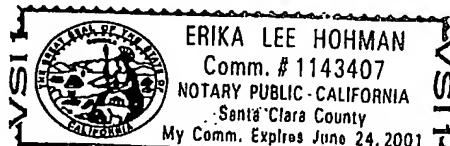
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On this 11 day of November, in the year 2000, before me, Erika Lee Hohman, Notary Public, personally appeared Kurt R. Lehman personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Notary Signature Erika Lee Hohman

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2. Inventor Signature: X S. Lee
Shing M. Lee

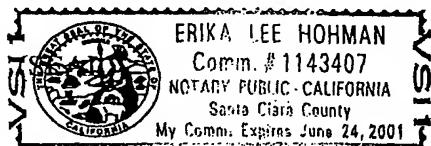
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On this 1st day of November, in the year 2000, before me, Erika Lee Hohman, Notary Public, personally appeared Shing M. Lee, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal

Notary Signature Erika Lee Hohman



3. Inventor Signature: Walter Halmer Johnson III
Walter Halmer Johnson III

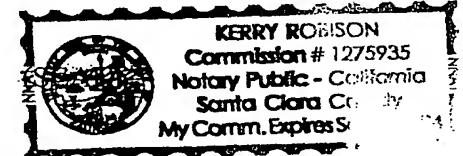
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On this 3rd day of January, in the year 2000, before me, Kerry Robison, Notary Public, personally appeared Walter Johnson, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal

Notary Signature Kerry Robison



4. Inventor Signature: John Fielden
John Fielden

Date: Jan 3, 2001

State of California
County of Santa Clara } ss.

On this 3rd day of January, in the year 2000, before me, Kerry Robison, Notary Public, personally appeared John Fielden, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal

Notary Signature Kerry Robison

